

9 reciprocate the door of the container in the direction of said axis between the  
10 opened and closed positions.

1 23. The carrier of claim 22 further comprising a flexible member  
2 coupled to said arm, wherein said arm is reciprocally extended or retracted  
3 along said axis by a tension applied to said flexible member. *cable out shown*

1 24. The carrier of claim 22 further comprising a biasing member *Spring*  
2 coupled to said arm to bias said arm toward said extended position or said  
3 retracted position, wherein said arm is reciprocally extended or retracted  
4 along said axis against said bias of said biasing member.

1 25. The carrier of claim 24 wherein said biasing member comprises  
2 a spring. *B*

1 26. The carrier of claim 24 wherein said biasing member is coupled  
2 to said arm to bias said arm toward said extended position, and wherein said  
3 arm is retracted along said axis against said bias of said biasing member.

1 27. The carrier of claim 23 further comprising a lever pivotally *foot pedal*  
2 coupled to said body, wherein tension is applied to said flexible member by  
3 actuation of said lever.

1 28. The carrier of claim 27 further comprising a locking bracket  
2 coupled to said body for reciprocation between a locked position, wherein  
3 said locking bracket prevents said lever from pivoting to open the door of the  
4 container, and an unlocked position, wherein said lever may pivot to open  
5 the door of the container.

1 29. The carrier of claim 22 wherein the body comprises a body  
2 portion configured to support the container and a hood pivotally coupled to  
3 said body portion to pivot between a closed position wherein said hood

4 restrains the container within the body portion and an open position wherein  
5 the container may be removed from the body portion.

1 30. The carrier of claim 29 further comprising a lock positioned for  
2 locking said hood in said closed position with respect to said body portion.

1 31. The carrier of claim 30 wherein said lock is lockable and  
2 unlockable by use of a key.

1 32. The carrier of claim 29 wherein said arm extends from said  
2 hood for reciprocal movement with respect to said hood.

1 33. The carrier of claim 32 further comprising a biasing member  
2 coupled to said arm and to said hood to bias said arm toward said extended  
3 position or said retracted position with respect to said hood, wherein said  
4 arm is reciprocally extended or retracted along said axis against said bias of  
5 said biasing member.

1 34. The carrier of claim 22 further comprising a locking member  
2 for locking said arm in said retracted position.

1 35. The carrier of claim 34 wherein said arm has a shoulder portion  
2 which is engaged by said locking member to lock said arm in said retracted  
3 position.

1 36. The carrier of claim 35 wherein said locking member is  
2 coupled to said body for reciprocal movement between an engaged position  
3 in which said arm is locked in said retracted position and a disengaged  
4 position in which said arm is free to move between said extended and  
5 retracted positions.

1 37. A modular container system comprising:

2 a container having a door mounted for sliding reciprocation along a  
3 path between opened and closed positions; and

4 a carrier comprising a body adapted to receive the container and an  
5 elongate arm coupled to said body for reciprocal extension along an axis of  
6 said arm between an extended position and a retracted position with respect  
7 to said body, said axis of said arm being oriented substantially parallel to said  
8 path of said door of said container, said arm being adapted for engagement  
9 with said door of said container, and said reciprocal extension of said arm  
10 being adapted to reciprocate said door of said container along said path  
11 between said opened and closed positions.

1 38. The container system of claim 37 wherein said carrier further  
2 comprises a flexible member coupled to said arm, wherein said arm is  
3 reciprocally extended or retracted along said axis by a tension applied to said  
4 flexible member.

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1 39. The container system of claim 37 wherein said carrier further  
2 comprises a biasing member coupled to said arm to bias said arm toward said  
3 extended position or said retracted position, wherein said arm is reciprocally  
4 extended or retracted along said axis against said bias of said biasing  
5 member.

1 40. The container system of claim 39 wherein said biasing member  
2 comprises a spring.

1 41. The container system of claim 40 wherein said arm is biased by  
2 said biasing member toward said extended position.

1 42. The container system of claim 38 wherein said flexible member  
2 comprises a cable.

1 43. The container system of claim 42 wherein said carrier further  
2 comprises a lever pivotally coupled to said body, wherein tension is applied  
3 to said flexible member by actuation of said lever.

1        44. The container system of claim 43 wherein said carrier further  
2 comprises a locking bracket coupled to said body for reciprocation between a  
3 locked position, wherein said locking bracket prevents said lever from  
4 pivoting to open said door of said container, and an unlocked position,  
5 wherein said lever may pivot to open said door of said container.

1        45. The container system of claim 44 wherein the body of said  
2 carrier further comprises a body portion configured to support said container  
3 and a hood pivotally coupled to said body portion to pivot between a closed  
4 position wherein said hood restrains said container within said body portion  
5 and an open position wherein said container may be removed from said body  
6 portion.

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1        46. The container system of claim 45 wherein said carrier further  
2 comprises a lock positioned for locking said hood in said closed position with  
3 respect to said body portion.

1        47. The container system of claim 46 wherein said lock is lockable  
2 and unlockable by use of a key.

1        48. The container system of claim 45 wherein said arm extends  
2 from said hood for reciprocal movement with respect to said hood.

1        49. The container system of claim 45 wherein said carrier further  
2 comprises a biasing member coupled to said arm and to said hood to bias  
3 said arm toward said extended position or said retracted position with respect  
4 to said hood, wherein said arm is reciprocally extended or retracted along  
5 said axis against said bias of said biasing member.

1        50. The container system of claim 37 wherein said carrier further  
2 comprises a locking member for locking said arm in said retracted position.

1        51. The container system of claim 50 wherein said arm has a  
2 shoulder portion which is engaged by said locking member to lock said arm  
3 in said retracted position.

1           52. The container system of claim 51 wherein said locking member  
2 is coupled to said body for reciprocal movement between an engaged position  
3 in which said arm is locked in said retracted position and a disengaged  
4 position in which said arm is free to move between said extended and  
5 retracted positions.

1           53. A carrier configured to hold a container having a door mounted  
2 for reciprocation between opened and closed positions, said carrier  
3 comprising:

4           a body adapted to receive the container, said body comprising a body  
5 portion configured to support the container and a hood pivotally coupled to  
6 said body portion to pivot between a closed position wherein said hood  
7 restrains the container within said body portion and an open position wherein  
8 the container may be removed from the body portion;

9           an elongate arm coupled to said body for reciprocal extension along an  
10 axis of said arm between an extended position and a retracted position with  
11 respect to said body, said arm extending from said hood for reciprocal  
12 movement with respect to said hood, said arm being adapted for engagement  
13 with the door of the container, and said reciprocal extension of said arm  
14 being adapted to reciprocate the door of the container in the direction of said  
15 axis between the opened and closed positions;

16           a flexible member coupled to said arm, wherein said arm is  
17 reciprocally extended or retracted along said axis by a tension applied to said  
18 flexible member; and

19           a biasing member coupled to said arm to bias said arm toward said  
20 extended position, wherein said arm is retracted along said axis against said  
21 bias of said biasing member.